for the year 1882, four and one tenth mills on a dollar, and for the year 1883 five mills on a dollar; and,

WHEREAS, The population of said Lucas county during said

years exceeded fourteen thousand inhabitants; and,

WHEREAS, Doubts exist as to the validity of said levies of taxes; therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That the said levies of taxes for ordinary county Legalized. revenue, made by the board of supervisors of Lucas county, Iowa, for the years 1881, 1882 and 1883 be and the same are hereby declared to be legal and valid; and all acts, collections and sales for the collection of any of said taxes, are hereby confirmed and declared to be legal and binding to the same extent and as fully as if said levies had in all respects been in strict compliance with, and according to law.

Sec. 2. That this act being deemed of immediate importance Publication, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published at Des Moines Iowa, and in the Chariton Patriot, a newspaper published at Chariton, Lucas county, Iowa; such publication to be without

expense to the state.

Approved, April 5, 1884.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register April 30, and in the Chariton Patriot April 16, 1884.

J. A. T. HULL, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 156.

ACTION OF SUPERVISORS OF JACKSON COUNTY LEGALIZED.

AN ACT to Legalize the Action of the Board of Supervisors of Jackson County, Iowa, in Relation to the Erection of Proper Buildings for the Care of Their Poor and Incurable Insane.

WHEREAS, The board of supervisors of Jackson county, Iowa, Preamble. did during the years, 1882 and 1883, let certain contracts for the erection of proper buildings for the care of their poor and incurable insane, and,

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to whether all moneys paid out by said board for said buildings have been paid in strict

conformity with law; and,

WHEREAS, Said board of supervisors did exceed the amounts allowed by law for the erection of said buildings; therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Legalized.

SECTION 1. That all the acts of the board of supervisors, of Jackson county, Iowa, relative to the erection of said buildings, for the care of their poor and incurable insane during said years, 1882 and 1883, be and the same are hereby legalized and shall have the same force and effect as though all the terms of the law had been fully and strictly complied with.

Publication.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and Jackson Sentinel, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa and Maquoketa, Iowa, without expense to the State.

Approved, April 5, 1884.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register April 15, and Jackson Sentinel April 17, 1884. J. A. T. HULL, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 157.

INCORPORATION OF TOWN OF ESSEX LEGALIZED.

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AN ACT to Legalize the Incorporation of the Town of Essex and the Corporate Acts and ordinances Thereof.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, In 1875 legal steps were taken under the laws of the state of Iowa to incorporate the town of Essex in Page county under the corporate name of the "Town of Essex" and the circuit court of Page county, Iowa, at its term held in 1875, granted the decree prayed for asking that said town be incorporated under the name of the "Town of Essex"; and,

WHEREAS, Said town of Essex has levied and collected taxes and fines, and bought and sold property, and done all acts

usually performed by incorporated towns; and,

WHEREAS, Said town of Essex did on the 15th day of April, the 22d day of April and the 2d day of May in the year 1881; and did on the 13th day of June and 10th day of August, and 14th day of November 1882; and on the 8th day of May 1883, enact and adopt ordinances for the control and government of said town; and

WHEREAS, No transcript of record and papers of incorporation was filed with secretary of state as required by law; and,

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of all steps taken in said incorporation of said town, and as to its corporate acts, and enactment and adoption of said ordinances; therefore,